

FFY 2023 CSBG COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN AND APPLICATION

CSBG ASSURANCES

The community action agency agrees to the following Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Act assurances and other CSBG program requirements:

1. To use funds made available through the CSBG Act to support activities as described in section 676(b)(1) of the Act (Instructions, Section IV. Community Services Block Grant Act Assurance of Funds);
2. To provide, on an emergency basis, for the provision of such supplies and services, nutritious foods, and related services, as may be necessary to counteract conditions of starvation and malnutrition among the low-income individuals;
3. To coordinate, and establish the linkages, between governmental and other social services programs to assure the effective delivery of services to low-income individuals and to avoid duplication of such services, and will coordinate the provision of employment and training activities in the State and in communities with entities providing activities through statewide and local workforce investment systems under the Workforce Investment Act of 1998;
4. To the maximum extent possible, coordinate programs with and form partnerships with other organizations serving low-income residents of the communities and members of the groups served by the State, including religious organizations, charitable groups, and community organizations;
5. To establish procedures under which a low-income individual, community organization, or religious organization, or representative of low-income individuals that considers its organization, or low-income individuals, to be inadequately represented on the board (or other mechanism) of the eligible entity to petition for adequate representation;
6. To participate in the Results Oriented Management and Accountability System, or another performance measure system for which the Secretary facilitated development pursuant to section 678E(b) of the CSBG Act;
7. To comply with section 676B of the CSBG Act (Tripartite Boards)—concerning governing board structure and governing board participation;
8. To comply with the prohibition against use of community services block grant funds for the purchase or improvement of land, or the purchase, construction, or permanent improvement (other than low-cost residential weatherization or other energy-related home repairs) of any building or other facility, as described in section 678F(a) of the CSBG Act;
9. To ensure that programs assisted by community services block grant funds shall not be carried on in a manner involving the use of program funds, the provision of services, or the employment or assignment of personnel in a manner supporting or resulting in the identification of such programs with any partisan or nonpartisan political activity or any political activity associated with a candidate, or contending faction or group, in an election for public or party office; any activity to provide voters or prospective voters with transportation to the polls or similar assistance with any such election, or any voter registration activity;
10. To ensure that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under, any program or activity funded in whole or in part with community services block grant program funds. Any prohibition against discrimination on the basis of age under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 (42 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.) or with respect to an otherwise qualified individual with a disability as provided in section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794 et seq.), or title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12131 et seq.) shall also apply to any such program or activity;
11. To inform custodial parents in single-parent families that participate in agency programs, activities, or services, about the availability of child support services, and refer eligible parents to the child support offices of State and local governments;
12. To comply with section 679 of the CSBG Act (Operational Rule)—concerning religious organizations;
13. To comply with the requirements of the cost and accounting standards of the Office of Management and Budget (Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principals, and Audit Requirements for U. S. Health and Human Services Awards (45 CFR Part 75);
14. To comply with the requirements of Public Law 103-227, Part C Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994, which requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18 if the services are funded by a Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee; and
15. To comply with the requirements of CSBG, Information Memorandum Transmittal No. 138, State Establishment of Organizational Standards for CSBG Eligible Entities under 678B of the CSBG Act.

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

By signing and submitting FFY 2023 CSBG Community Action Plan and Application, the undersigned agrees to the CSBG Act assurances and other federal and state CSBG requirements, certifies that the information in this application is accurate, and understands that this application, once approved by the Iowa Department of Human Rights, Division of Community Action Agencies, shall serve as the agency's CSBG Community Action Plan and Application for FFY 2023.

Executive Director Signature

Date

Typed or Printed Name

Board President/Chair Signature

Date

Typed or Printed Name